DATE: KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Destruction Caused by the Earthquake: The earthquake in Syria destroyed or damaged over 30,000 houses and killed thousands of people. The huge amount of damage makes it even more important to provide instant aid and start long-term rebuilding efforts.
- People in the Wake of a Disaster: The tragedy goes beyond the damage to property; it also affects the hearts of those who lost family members, homes, and a feeling of safety.
- Bouncing Forward: In the case of Syria's earthquake, it's not just about fixing up the buildings; it's also about making society better, more connected, and nicer.
 Communities that were destroyed by the earthquake aren't just trying to get back to how things were before; they're also trying to make things better by fixing wounds and finding new ways to help each other.

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- Global Humanitarian Response: The map shows how important international humanitarian aid is. Groups are working together to send medical help, food, and shelter to the impacted areas, which is very important for their recovery.
- Reminding us of what makes people strong:
 the path from loss to healing is marked by
 people's determination. The Storymap is a
 strong message that kindness and humanity
 always shine through in bad times, giving us
 hope even in the darkest times

Lets Hear a Story!

Turbulence of Fate: Love, Loss, and the Call for Humanity



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An argument breaks out between Sarah and Jake on a packed plane. As the plane flies through the sky, completely unaware of the imminent tragedy below, their quarrel intensifies. Unbeknownst to them, Syria is being rocked by a tremendous earthquake, which is triggering widespread fear and devastation. Turbulence on the plane makes the couple's fight seem like a minor detail compared to the mayhem that's waiting for them when they land.

Amidst the aftershocks of the earthquake, the plane lands in Syria, and the impact is devastating. As the airliner slams into the earth, it creates a tumultuous and depressing scene. When Sarah awakens amidst the debris, she finds that she has survived the crash. However, her spirits plummet as she learns that Jake is gone. Seeing the devastation brought about by the earthquake, with local data showing that thousands of structures have been damaged and numerous lives have been lost, brings the brutal truth of her surroundings crashing down on her.

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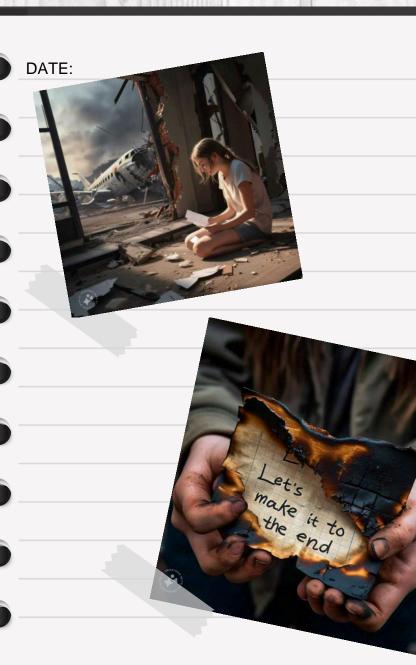
In the midst of the rescue workers' hunt among the debris, Sarah feels an overpowering sense of shame and loss. As she listens to accounts of broken families, almost **10,000** buildings damaged, and countless lives altered irrevocably. In the debris, she unearths mementos from her past with Jake, such as photos and a broken watch, which serve as sobering reminders of her loss.

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After some time has passed, Sarah goes back to the crash scene in hopes of finding answers.

Hidden in Jake's beloved jacket, she discovers a message amidst the wreckage. "Let's make it to the end." The realization that Jake would want her to keep going and find hope even at the darkest of times hits her like a ton of bricks as she struggles to control her emotions. A memory of the love they had and a mark of resilience, the note stands alone.







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Sarah stands amidst the debris, clutching Jake's message tightly as tears fall down her cheeks. At that very moment, she promises to help the earthquake victims as a way to remember him. Her decision to become involved in the rebuilding efforts and provide help to the survivors is driven by the loss she had faced. As she leaves the scene of the accident, she carries both her sorrow and her determination to move forward, determined to create an impact despite the destruction.

The devastating earthquake in Syria has left thousands of people without homes and damaged or destroyed more than 30,000 buildings, according to the story map. Tragically, thousands of lives were lost and over 10,000 structures were damaged, leaving communities devastated.

"Together, let us be kind enough for humanity."